

or substantially lessen significant environmental effects. These measures must be fully enforceable through permit conditions, agreements, or other measures.

The County hereby finds that the Mitigation Monitoring Program dated January, 1998, and adopted as part of the Project's Conditional Use Permit meets the requirements of Section 21081.6 of the Public Resources Code by providing for and enforcing the implementation and monitoring of Project conditions intended to mitigate potential environmental effects of the Project.

SECTION 6

STATEMENT OF OVERRIDING CONSIDERATIONS

The FEIR identified and discussed significant effects which will occur as a result of the Project. With the implementation of the mitigation measures discussed in the FEIR, these effects can be mitigated to less than significant levels except for unavoidable Project-related and cumulative significant impacts on air quality, as identified in Section 2 of these findings.

This Regional Planning Commission adopts and makes this Statement of Overriding Considerations concerning the Project's unavoidable significant impacts to explain why the Project's benefits override and outweigh its unavoidable impacts.

The Project will bring the following substantial benefits to Los Angeles County residents and the Antelope Valley:

1. Construction of the Project will provide solid waste disposal capacity that helps meet the needs of Los Angeles County residents and serves the Antelope Valley.
2. Construction of the Project will generate approximately \$60,000 in property tax revenues to the County annually and will generate additional County revenue through sales tax and indirect economic benefits.
3. The Project will provide approximately 15 permanent jobs and additional temporary construction jobs.
4. The Project will provide several diversion facilities which are needed to meet the diversion mandates of AB 939. These facilities include green waste and wood waste composting, a redemption center, the consolidation and transfer of commingled recyclables, and the recycling of construction and demolition materials.

This Regional Planning Commission finds that the Project's unavoidable impacts are acceptable in light of the Project's benefits. Each benefit set forth above constitutes an overriding consideration warranting approval of the Project, independent of other benefits, despite each and every unavoidable impact.